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Allegato 2. Programma dettagliato della manifestazione

XVII OPTIMA MEETING

PALERMO-ERICE-TRAPANI (ITALY), 19-23 September

Programme

Tuesday 19 September [Palermo]

10h00-18h – Meetings of the Scientific commissions of OPTIMA

18h30 – Bus transfer to Erice.

Wednesday 20 September [Erice]

9h00 – Meeting of the Executive Council (restricted)

9h00 – Welcoming of the participants and registration.

10h00 – Meeting of the International Board (restricted)

11h30 – Opening Ceremony followed by the Plenary conference

14h30 – **Symposium 1** – Mediterranean refugia: importance for plant conservation

Chairs: **F. Médail** (Marseille, France), **M. Fennane** (Rabat, Morocco)

14h30 – **Symposium 2** – Taxonomy, ecology and conservation of Mediterranean fungi, lichens and bryophytes.

Chairs: **M. Ros** (Murcia, Spain), **G. Venturella** (Palermo, Italy), **P. Campisi** (Palermo, Italy), **S. Ravera** (Palermo, Italy)

18h30 – **Roundtable** – World Flora Online, Euro+Med, APD, inaturalist, efloraMaghreb, how to get ahead, how to structure the synergies with databases.

Chair: **C. Chatelain** (Genève, Switzerland)

Thursday 21 September [Erice]

9h00 – **Symposium 3** – Biosystematics in the Mediterranean area 1.

Chairs: **K. Marhold** (Bratislava, Slovak Republic), **C. Oberprieler** (Regensburg, Germany), **L. Peruzzi** (Pisa, Italy), **P. Bareka** (Athens, Greece)

9h00 – **Symposium 4** – Taxonomy, ecology and conservation of Mediterranean marine and freshwater algae.

Chairs: **A. M. Mannino** (Palermo, Italy), **C. Rodriguez-Prieto** (Girona, Spain), **M. Cantonati** (Bologna, Italy)

14h30 – **Symposium 5** – Biosystematics in the Mediterranean area 2.

Chairs: **K. Marhold** (Bratislava, Slovak Republic), **C. Oberprieler** (Regensburg, Germany), **L. Peruzzi** (Pisa, Italy), **P. Bareka** (Athens, Greece)

14h30 – **Symposium 6** – Ecosystems restoration and species conservation.

Chairs: **J. M. Iriondo** (Madrid, Spain), **P. Marino** (Palermo, Italy)

Friday 22 September [Erice]

9h00 – **Symposium 7** – Herbaria and the understanding of Mediterranean plant diversity: past, present and future.

Chairs: **M. Carine** (London, U.K.), **G. Domina** (Palermo, Italy)



9h00 – Symposium 8 – Useful plants in the Mediterranean Countries.

Chairs: K. H. C. Başer (Nicosia, Cyprus), G. Malfa (Catania, Italy), E. Kožuharova (Sofia, Bulgaria)

11h00 – Symposium 9 – Health Benefits of Wild Mediterranean Plants.

Chairs: K. H. C. Başer (Nicosia, Cyprus), R. Acquaviva (Catania, Italy), V. Spadaro (Palermo, Italy)

14h30 – Poster Session

16h30 – Roundtable – Plant diversity and restoration of the historic garden «Giardino del Balio» (Erice) and presentation of the project for its restoration [financed by the Italian Ministry of Culture with funds from the PNRR].

Chair: J. Wade (Cernobbio, Italy)

20h00 – Congress Dinner [*Erice*]

Saturday 23 September [Trapani]

9h30 – Symposium 10 – *Crop Wild Relatives in the Mediterranean countries.*

Chairs: B. Valdès (Sevilla, Spain), A. Giovino (Palermo, Italy), M. Rejdali (Temara, Morocco)

9h30 – Symposium 11 – *Invasive plants and their impact in Mediterranean countries.*

Chairs: O. Vasic (Beograd, Serbia), F.M. Raimondo (Palermo, Italy)

15h00 – Closing Ceremony and General meeting of OPTIMA.

18h00 – Bus transfer to Palermo.

Monday 24 September [Erice]

8h00 – Post-Meeting excursion [Natural Reserve Isole dello Stagnone di Marsala: MOTHIA and Isola Grande]

17h00 – Bus transfer to Palermo.

Palermo, 8 giugno 2023